

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended.

By this amendment the pending claims have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer in favor of the newly presented claims.

In that the newly presented claims are also patentably distinguishable from the references of record, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

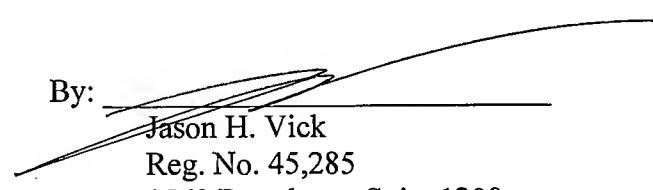
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to deposit account number 19-1970 any fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby petitioned.

Respectfully submitted,

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